

Columbus Morning Herald.

Anne Dickinson and the Society.

The following is from the Dayton Journal's account of Anne Dickinson's visit to the Soldiers' Home: When she turned to the veterans, her beautiful eyes filled with tears, which tried to find their way with her white veiled fingers, and said, "I know when I was asked that I could not talk to you, but I say with you!" Had it been mere acting, it would have been perfect, but everybody saw how truly womanly it was, and it was the best thing that happened in that way at the Soldiers' Home. It made other people not used to the dramatic mood, whip out their handkerchiefs. The women in the audience cried like women, and the men--very much in love.

After this perfect happy episode, Anna was herself again. Eloquence flowed as freely from her charming lips as water from Horeb when the rod of inspiration opened the rock. She reminded the gallant men before her of the struggles and trials of their warfare, of the cause which enlisted their services; of the principles for which they bled; of the horrors they had witnessed; and of the love they commanded from good women and good men. Full of passionate earnestness, she had the veterans at one moment, roaring with the mighty voices of soldiers in victory, then weeping like women. The scene was hard to describe, though delightful to witness, and to feel. Anna, as the woman, surpassed all she had ever accomplished as the advocate of the cause which has engrossed her eloquence for so many years. Nobody could describe the enthusiasm of the veterans.

Miscellaneous.

The following is a literal copy of an application made to the Truro, Nova Scotia, Board of Guardians for an appointment as an industrial teacher in a workshop:

"Feb 4 1870. Sir I offer myself to you for that place to the board which I am well qualified for my age is 40." Forty-two.

Recent French medical-statistics have demonstrated two facts worthy the serious attention of the better half of mankind. The first is that since women have loosened their corsets the annual mortality has decreased 18 per cent. The second is that women who have loaded their heads with hideous ornaments never live as long as the average.

General Barry, an ex-Federal officer, elected to Congress from the Third District of Mississippi, has not yet taken his seat. He is at home suffering from wounds received during the late canvass.

Red Hook is the abiding place of a widow who has had five husbands and fourteen children. A gentleman of Albany, scarcely past his prime, and a very excellent citizen, is now living happily with his fifth wife.

Francis P. Blair, Sr. and his wife, who have been married over sixty years, rode on horseback last week from Washington to Silver Springs, distant some fifteen miles, and returned to Washington without dismounting.

Some New Orleans gentlemen took unwilling water in their cocktails the other morning by the bursting of a hotel cistern.

People in Denver, Colorado, are asked to contribute a dollar a week apiece to build an artesian well.

"An San Francisco saloon keeper wound up his unpleasantness with a guest by hacking away at his head with a hatchet, while his guest was filling him up with revolver balls."

The New York Fenians wasted thousands of dollars on a book of tactics which was so excellent, that no one could understand it when it was done.

Fred Douglass once said that you could no more silence a braver by answering him than you could get the gong out of a bell by breaking it.

Paris has 9,000 citizens (rag pickers), 6,000 of whom are licensed, and 3,000 interlopers. Their aggregate gains are 5,500,000 francs per annum.

The Burgomasters and council of the small town of Almelo, in Holland, have forbidden smoking in the public streets for fear of fire.

The Kentuckian who thinks he has discovered on his farm "the richest silver mine in the world" may find his conclusions more promising than his promises.

A San Francisco Judge tempered justice with mercy by finding a starved girl 25 cents for stealing a can of milk, and then raising \$20 for her on the spot, thus sympathizing spectators.

Samuel L. Harris, a mechanic of Bristol, Tenn., says that at the battle of Gettysburg he was told his brother had been killed. He secured the body and buried it, digging the grave with a pick. He never doubted his brother's death until a few nights since, when his brother surprised all parties by walking in.

One firm in a Minnesota town shipped forty thousand rat skins to market last week.

When theatrical managers make money they thank their stars for it.

A Kansas man has opened a volcano in digging a well.

An Indianapolis "school boy" has been punished by being compelled to write the word "cow" five hundred times.

How many apples did our first parents eat in the garden of Eden? Eve 8 and Adam 2.

The atmosphere is popularly supposed to be invisible to ordinary eye-sight, and yet we hear of actors who "saw the air."

A Paris Abbe, aged seventy-two, has eloped with one of his congregation, a middle-aged single lady.

Anson Burlingame's room-mate in college was Jabez L. M. Curry, of Alabama, formerly member of Congress from that State.

It is said that Senator Blood knows all the secrets of the Tammany ring. Unfortunately for Tammany, "Blood will tell."

Baron Adolphe de Rothschild has been fighting a duel at Monaco, with one of the editors of the *Figaro*. The editor was wounded in the hand.

South Carolina takes the lead in the old man business. She boasts of one who is one hundred and forty-three years old, and is still to age at the time of Bradock's defeat. He has had twelve wives, but tired of so many weddings, has not indulged since the death of the seventh, sixty years ago.

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